



An IRS-TPC Research Conference: Advancing Tax Administration

Urban Institute, 2100 M Street, N.W., Washington, DC • June 19, 2014

Tentative Program (As of June 10, 2014)

8:30 - 9:00 Check-in

9:00 - 9:15 **Opening**

Welcome *Eric Toder* (Co-Director, Tax Policy Center) and

Rosemary Marcuss (Director, IRS Office of Research, Analysis, and Statistics)

Opening Remarks John Koskinen (Commissioner, IRS) [recorded video]

9:15 – 10:45 Session 1: Taxpayer Compliance Costs and Tax Administration

Moderator: *Melissa Vigil* (IRS, RAS, Office of Research)

Improving Form 1098T: How a Revised Form Could Increase Take-Up, Improve Compliance and Lower Taxpayer Burden Deena Ackerman, Julie-Anne Cronin, and Nicholas Turner (Office of Tax

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- Convenience Is Necessary for Pension Participation by the Poor Valrie Chambers (Texas A & M University – Corpus Christi)
- The Compliance Costs of IRS Post-Filing Processes

 John Guyton and Ronald Hodge (IRS, RAS, Office of Research)

<u>Discussant</u>: Robert Weinberger (Aspen Institute Initiative on Financial Security)

10:45 - 11:00 Break

11:00 – 12:30 Session 2: Innovative Enforcement Strategies

Moderator: *Drew Johns* (IRS, RAS, Office of Research)

- Incentivized Offshore Voluntary Disclosure Schemes: An Analysis
 Matthew Gould and Matthew D. Rablen (Brunel University, UK)
- Uncollectible versus Unproductive: Compliance Impact of Working Collection Cases that are Ultimately Not Fully Collectible

Erik Miller, Stacy Orlett, and Alex Turk (IRS, SB/SE)

■ A Plan for Turning "Worst-First" into "Best-Case" Tax Enforcement Leigh Osofsky (University of Miami School of Law)

Discussant: Mark Phillips (University of Southern California)

12:30 – 1:30 **Keynote Speaker** *George Yin* (University of Virginia)

1:30 – 3:00 Session 3: Tax Uncertainty and Corporation Compliance

Moderator: **John Guyton** (IRS, RAS, Office of Research)

- Large Corporation Schedule M-3 Book-to-Tax Profiles of Schedule UTP (Uncertain Tax Position) Filers and Non-Filers: 2010 – 2011 Charles Boynton, Portia DeFilippes, Ellen Legel, and Lisa Rupert (IRS, LB&I)
- Unintended Consequences of Linking Tax Return Disclosures of Tax Uncertainty to Financial Reporting for Tax Uncertainty
 Erin M. Towery (University of Georgia)
- The Effect of CAP on Tax Aggressiveness

 Amy Dunbar and Andrew Duxbury (University of Connecticut)

<u>Discussant</u>: *Matt Smith* (Department of the Treasury, Office of Tax Analysis)

3:00 – 3:15 Break

3:15 – 4:45 Session 4: Understanding Taxpayer Behavior

Moderator: Kevin Pierce (IRS, RAS, Statistics of Income)

 Tax Evasion and Self-Employment in the US: A Look at the Alternative Minimum Tax

Donald Bruce and **Xiaowen Liu** (University of Tennessee)

- **Do Doubled-Up Families Minimize Household-Level Tax Burden?**Amy B. O'Hara and **Maggie R. Jones** (U.S. Census Bureau)
- RAS Affordable Care Act Microsimulation Model
 Brian Erard (Brian Erard and Associates), Emily Heys and Brock Ramos (IRS,

RAS), Layne Morrison, Robert Mueller (IBM)

<u>Discussant</u>: Len Burman (Tax Policy Center)

4:45 - 5:00 Wrap-up

Janice Hedemann (Conference Chair, IRS:RAS)

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